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Government of Yukon Puts $51,515 into Community Youth Projects

WHITEHORSE – Young Yukon boarders, swimmers and campers are some of the youth who will benefit from the $51,515 being spent on 17 projects supported by the Youth Investment Fund.

The projects cover the breadth of Yukon and a wide variety of youth activities including various youth camps, physical activities and cultural events.

The successful projects were announced today by the ministers of the fund's sponsoring departments: Premier Dennis Fentie, minister responsible for the Youth Directorate; Education Minister Patrick Rouble; Health and Social Services Minister Brad Cathers; Women's Directorate Minister Elaine Taylor; Justice Minister Marian C. Horne and Community Services Minister Glenn Hart.

The Youth Investment Fund supports community-driven initiatives aimed at addressing the needs of Yukon youth. Many of the projects are designed to help youth susceptible to "at risk" behaviours or those who are considered to be "at risk."

Since the fund's inception in 1995, 437 projects have been funded. The next deadline for applications is October 1, 2008.

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A list of project recipients follows.

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Youth Investment Fund

Spring 2008 Funded Projects

	Group/Association	Project	Award
1.	City of Dawson Recreation Department	Dawson Sk8Park	**$ 5,000.00**
	FH Collins and Porter Creek School Council	Challenge Day and BE the Change Movement	**5,000.00**
	Freedom Trails Therapeutic Riding Association	Therapeutic Horseback Riding Program	**5,000.00**
	Vuntut Gwitchin First Nation	Old Crow Science Camp for Youth	**5,000.00**
	Breakdancing Yukon Society	Emerging Artist Development Program – Summer Project	**4,000.00**
	BYTE	Facilitation Team	**3,500.00**
	Recreation & Parks Association of Yukon	Junior Lifeguard Competition	**3,500.00**
	Vuntut Gwitchin First Nation	Biennial International Gwitchin Gathering – Cultural Activities & Games	**3,150.00**
	Selkirk First Nation	Air Rifle and Air Pistol Development Camp	**3,000.00**
	Little Salmon Carmacks First Nation	Carmacks Youth Outreach Empowerment Camp	**2,975.00**
	RCMP – Old Crow	Porcupine River Camp	**2,490.00**
	Boys and Girls Club of Whitehorse	Summer Adventure Camp for At-Risk Youth	**2,000.00**
	Teslin Tlingit Council	Morley River Youth Camping Trip	**2,000.00**
	Yukon Association for Community Living	Inclusive and Supported Summer Recreation	**1,500.00**
	Kwanlin Dun First Nation	First Nations' Culture Camps (Elijah Smith Elementary School)	**1,400.00**

	Council of Yukon First Nations	First Nation Graduation Ceremony	**1,000.00**
	Village of Haines Junction	Shakwak Sharks Swim Club	**1,000.00**
			$51,515.00